WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. A method for the treatment of dry eye which comprises administering to a mammal a composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a pharmaceutically effective amount of a proteasome inhibitor of the formula:

- 2. The method of Claim 1, wherein the composition is topically administered to a mammal's eye.
- The method of Claim 1 wherein the pharmaceutically effective amount of the proteasome inhibitor is 0.0001-1% w/v.
 - 4. The method of Claim 1 wherein the dry eye and other disorders requiring the wetting of the eye is symptoms of dry eye associated with refractive surgery.